

**PLAINTIFF'S INFRINGEMENT**  
**CLAIM CHARTS**

**APPENDIX B**

# Appendix B – Preliminary Analysis of Means-Plus Function Elements in U.S. Patent No. 6,055,516

Claim	Identification of Function and Exemplary Corresponding Structure, Material and/or Acts
1. An electronic sourcing system comprising: a collection of catalogs of items stored in an electronic format;	N/A
a first set of pre-determined criteria associated with said collection of catalogs;	N/A
a second set of pre-determined criteria associated with items from each of said catalogs;	N/A
a catalog selection protocol, said catalog selection protocol relying on said first set of pre-determined criteria to select less than said entire collection of catalogs, and including matching a vendor identification code with a subset of said collection of catalogs,	N/A
wherein said subset of catalogs includes both a vendor catalog from a predetermined vendor and a second catalog from a predetermined third party that is one of a manufacturer and a competing vendor	N/A
said predetermined third party selling items corresponding to items ins aid vendor catalog; and	N/A
a search program, said search program relying on said second set of criteria to select specific items from said catalogs	N/A

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determined from said catalog selection protocol.	
2. An electronic sourcing system as recited in claim 1, wherein catalogs comprising said collection of catalogs are stored in separate databases.	N/A
5. An electronic sourcing system as recited in claim 1, further including a cross reference table linking a vendor item catalog number from said vendor catalog with an item catalog number from said predetermined third party.	N/A
6. An electronic sourcing system as recited in claim 1, wherein said second set of predetermined criteria includes at least one of a catalog number and item textual information.	N/A
9. An electronic sourcing system comprising:	N/A
a collection of catalogs of items stored in an electronic format;	N/A
a first identification code associated with a first item in a first catalog;	
a second identification code associated with a second item in a second catalog,	N/A
said first item and said second item being	N/A

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generally equivalent,	
and wherein a selection of one identification code from one of said first and second catalogs provides the other identification code from the other of said catalogs.	N/A
10. An electronic sourcing system as recited in claim 9, wherein said first identification code is identical to said second identification code.	N/A
16. An electronic sourcing system comprising:	N/A
at least two product catalogs containing data relating to items such that an item in a first catalog is generally equivalent with an item in a second catalog; and	N/A
converting means for converting data relating to said item from said first catalog to data relating to said item from said second catalog.	<p><b>Function</b> converting data relating to an item from a first catalog to data relating to an item from a second catalog.</p> <p><b>Exemplary corresponding structure, material and acts:</b> a computer which is programmed with special-purpose software modules to execute an algorithm which includes the steps of: (1) maintaining a cross-reference table or file identifying cross-referenced items, identical items or generally equivalent items; (2) for an item in a first catalog, accessing the cross-reference table or file to identify a generally equivalent item from a second catalog that is cross-referenced to the item from the first catalog; and (3) replacing the item from the first catalog with the item from the second catalog; and structural equivalents thereof. <i>See, e.g.,</i> '516 Patent, Col. 4, l. 66- Col. 5, l. 13; Col. 10, ll. 40-49; Col. 14, ll. 39-49; Col. 16, ll. 59-67; Col. 17, ll. 34-53; Appendices VII-X.</p>
17. An electronic sourcing system as	N/A

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recited in claim 16, wherein at least one catalog database contains said data from each of said catalogs,	
and said converting means include a non-catalog database containing a cross-reference table such that use of a reference code corresponding to an entry in said cross-reference table links said item from said first catalog to data relating to said item from said second catalog.	N/A
21. An electronic sourcing system comprising:	N/A
a requisition module including data fields, user-generated criteria entered into at least one of said data fields to generate at least partial criteria corresponding to a desired item;	N/A
a catalog collection searching module, said searching module including a collection of catalogs of items stored in an electronic format,	N/A
a catalog selection criteria used to select less than said entire collection,	N/A
said searching module being used to generate additional search-module criteria for said data fields of said	N/A

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requisition module;	
a multiple purchase order generation module, said purchase order generation module creating multiple purchase orders from a single requisition created with aid user-generated criteria and said search-module criteria;	N/A
wherein each of at least two catalogs include a generally equivalent item from a different source, said requisition module working in combination with said catalog searching module to determine multiple sources for said item;	N/A
wherein said multiple sources is limited by said catalog searching module providing a match according to said user-generated criteria, said search-module criteria and a determination system that located items are generally equivalent; and	N/A
wherein said determination system includes a cross reference table matching an identification code from a first located item with a second identification code from a second located item.	N/A
22. An electronic sourcing system as recited in claim 21, wherein said determination system includes an	N/A

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identical code for each of said located items.	
29. An electronic sourcing system comprising: a collection of catalogs of items stored in an electronic format;	N/A
a first set of pre-determined criteria associated with said collection of catalogs;	N/A
a second set of pre-determined criteria associated with items from each of said catalogs;	N/A
a catalog selection protocol, said catalog selection protocol relying on said first set of pre-determined criteria to select less than said entire collection of catalogs,	N/A
and including matching a vendor identification code with a subset of said collection of catalogs,	N/A
wherein said subset of catalogs includes both a vendor catalog from a predetermined vendor and a second catalog from a predetermined third party;	N/A
a search program, said search program relying on said second set of criteria to select specific items from said catalogs determined from said catalog selection protocol; and	N/A

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a cross-reference table linking a vendor item catalog number from said vendor catalog with an item catalog number from said predetermined third party.	N/A